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Application No.: 09/726,404 )  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's  
attention to the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449.

- (1) JP 7-085024
- (2) JP 11-143667

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An English-language abstract for document 1 is enclosed. A complete English-language translation of document 2 is also enclosed.

These documents were cited during prosecution of a Japanese patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the Japanese Office Action, which is dated June 19, 2006, is enclosed.

Also cited in the Japanese Office Action were JP 11-249859 and JP 11-212403. These documents are not cited herein, however, because they were previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement dated May 16, 2006.

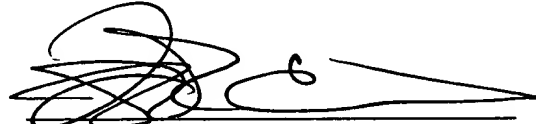
Inasmuch as a first Office Action pursuant to the April 27, 2006 filing of an RCE has not been received, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4).

In addition, in view of the June 19, 2006 date of the Japanese Office Action, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that each document in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at  
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Respectfully submitted,

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		7-085024	3/95	Japan			Abstract
		11-143667	5/99	Japan			Yes

## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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